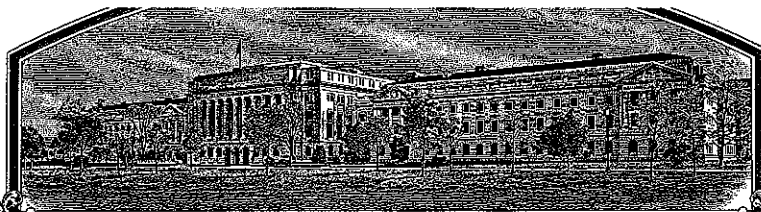


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# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

*Asgrow Seed Company LLC*

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED DISTINCT VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED, OR TUBER PROPAGATED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF TWENTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, OR PROPAGATING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR CONDITIONING IT FOR PROPAGATION, OR STOCKING IT FOR ANY OF THE FOREGOING PURPOSES, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT. (84 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

CORN, FIELD

'7180'

*In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D.C. this ninth day of March, in the year two thousand and seven.*

Attest:

*[Signature]*

Commissioner  
Plant Variety Protection Office  
Agricultural Marketing Service

*[Signature]*

Secretary of Agriculture

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE

The following state-ments are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995.

**APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE**  
(Instructions and information collection burden statement on reverse)

Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).

1. NAME OF OWNER <b>Asgrow Seed Company LLC</b>		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NAME		3. VARIETY NAME <b>7180</b>	
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code, and Country) <b>800 N. Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63167</b>		5. TELEPHONE (include area code) <b>(815) 758-9281</b>		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER <b>200100182</b>	
7. IF THE OWNER NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON", GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (corporation, partnership, association, etc.) <b>Corporation</b>		8. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION <b>Delaware</b>		9. DATE OF INCORPORATION <b>Dec. 22, 1997</b>	
10. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OWNER REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION. (First person listed will receive all papers).				FILING AND EXAMINATION FEES: \$ <b>2705.00</b> DATE <b>5/4/01</b> CERTIFICATION FEE: \$ <b>768.00</b> DATE <b>1/26/07</b>	
11. TELEPHONE (Include area code) <b>(815) 758-9281</b>		12. FAX (Include area code) <b>(815) 758-9471 815 758-3117</b>		13. E-MAIL <b>tkain@dekalb.com</b>	
14. CROP KIND (Common Name) <b>Corn</b>		15. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME OF CROP <b>Zea mays</b>		16. FAMILY NAME (Botanical) <b>Gramineae</b>	
17. IS THE VARIETY A FIRST GENERATION HYBRID? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		18. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED (Follow instructions on reverse)			
19. DOES THE OWNER SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act. <input type="checkbox"/> YES (If "yes", answer items 20 and 21 below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO (If "no," go to item 22)		20. DOES THE OWNER SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
21. IF "YES" TO ITEM 20, WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDER SEED? <input type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED		22. HAS THE VARIETY (INCLUDING ANY HARVESTED MATERIAL) OR A HYBRID PRODUCED FROM THIS VARIETY BEEN SOLD, DISPOSED OF, TRANSFERRED, OR USED IN THE U. S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, YOU MUST PROVIDE THE DATE OF FIRST SALE, DISPOSITION, TRANSFER, OR USE FOR EACH COUNTRY AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES. (Please use space indicated on reverse.)			
23. IS THE VARIETY OR ANY COMPONENT OF THE VARIETY PROTECTED BY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT (PLANT BREEDER'S RIGHT OR PATENT)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, PLEASE GIVE COUNTRY, DATE OF FILING OR ISSUANCE AND ASSIGNED REFERENCE NUMBER. (Please use space indicated on reverse.)		24. The owners declare that a viable sample of basic seed of the variety will be furnished with application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable, or for a tuber propagated variety a tissue culture will be deposited in a public repository and maintained for the duration of the certificate. The undersigned owner(s) is(are) the owner of this sexually reproduced or tuber propagated plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is new, distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 42, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act. Owner(s) is(are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.			
SIGNATURE OF OWNER <b>Timothy R. Kain</b>		SIGNATURE OF OWNER			
NAME (Please print or type) <b>Timothy R. Kain</b>		NAME (Please print or type)			
CAPACITY OR TITLE <b>Patent Scientist</b>		DATE <b>5/3/01</b>		CAPACITY OR TITLE	
DATE <b>5/3/01</b>		DATE		DATE	

## INSTRUCTIONS

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**GENERAL:** To be effectively filed with the Plant Variety Protection Office (PVPO), ALL of the following items must be received in the PVPO: (1) Completed application form signed by the owner; (2) completed exhibits A, B, C, E; (3) for a seed reproduced variety at least 2,500 viable, untreated seeds, for a hybrid variety at least 2,500 untreated seeds of each line necessary to reproduce the variety, or for (tuber reproduced varieties verification that a viable (in the sense that it will reproduce an entire plant) tissue culture will be deposited and maintained in an approved public repository; (4) check drawn on a U.S. bank for \$2,450 (\$300 filing fee and \$2,150 examination fee), payable to "Treasurer of the United States" (See Section 97.6 of the Regulations and Rules of Practice.) Partial applications will be held in the PVPO for not more than 90 days, then returned to the applicant as unfilled. Mail application and other requirements to Plant Variety Protection Office, AMS, USDA, Room 500, NAL Building, 10301 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705-2351. Retain one copy for your files. All items on the face of the application are self explanatory unless noted below. Corrections on the application form and exhibits must be initialed and dated. DO NOT use masking materials to make corrections. If a certificate is allowed, you will be requested to send a check payable to "Treasurer of the United States" in the amount of \$300 for issuance of the certificate. Certificates will be issued to owner, not licensee or agent.

Plant Variety Protection Office

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FAX: (301) 504-5291

Homepage: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/science/pvp.htm>

## ITEM

- 18a. Give: (1) the genealogy, including public and commercial varieties, lines, or clones used, and the breeding method; (2) the details of subsequent stages of selection and multiplication; (3) evidence of uniformity and stability; and (4) the type and frequency of variants during reproduction and multiplication and state how these variants may be identified
- 18b. Give a summary of the variety's distinctness. Clearly state how this application variety may be distinguished from all other varieties in the same crop. If the new variety is most similar to one variety or a group of related varieties:
- (1) identify these varieties and state all differences objectively;
  - (2) attach statistical data for characters expressed numerically and demonstrate that these are clear differences; and
  - (3) submit, if helpful, seed and plant specimens or photographs (prints) of seed and plant comparisons which clearly indicate distinctness
- 18c. Exhibit C forms are available from the PVPO Office for most crops; specify crop kind. Fill in Exhibit C (Objective Description of Variety) form as completely as possible to describe your variety.
- 18d. Optional additional characteristics and/or photographs. Describe any additional characteristics that cannot be accurately conveyed in Exhibit C. Use comparative varieties as is necessary to reveal more accurately the characteristics that are difficult to describe, such as plant habit, plant color, disease resistance, etc.
- 18e. Section 52(5) of the Act requires applicants to furnish a statement of the basis of the applicant's ownership. An Exhibit E form is available from the PVPO.
19. If "Yes" is specified (seed of this variety be sold by variety name only, as a class of certified seed), the applicant MAY NOT reverse this affirmative decision after the variety has been sold and so labeled, the decision published, or the certificate issued. However, if "No" has been specified, the applicant may change the choice. (See Regulations and Rules of Practice, Section 97.103).
22. See Sections 41, 42, and 43 of the Act and Section 97.5 of the regulations for eligibility requirements.
23. See Section 5.5 of the Act for instructions on claiming the benefit of an earlier filing date.

**22. CONTINUED FROM FRONT** (Please provide the date of first sale, disposition, transfer, or use for each country and the circumstances, if the variety (including any harvested material) or a hybrid produced from this variety has been sold, disposed of, transferred, or used in the U.S. or other countries.)

Hybrid produced from this variety has been sold in the U.S. -Feb. 2001

**23. CONTINUED FROM FRONT** (Please give the country, date of filing or issuance, and assigned reference number, if the variety or any component of the variety is protected by intellectual property right (Plant Breeder's Right or Patent).)

**NOTES:** It is the responsibility of the applicant/owner to keep the PVPO informed of any changes of address or change of ownership or assignment or owner's representative during the life of the application/certificate. There is no charge for filing a change of address. The fee for filing a change of ownership or assignment or any modification of owner's name is specified in Section 97.175 of the regulations. (See Section 101 of the Act, and Sections 97.130, 97.131, 97.175(h) of the Regulations and Rules of Practice.)

To avoid conflict with other variety names in use, the applicant must check the variety names proposed by contacting: Seed Branch, AMS, USDA, Room 213, Building 306, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center-East, Beltsville, MD 20705. Telephone: (301) 504-8089.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to Department of Agriculture, Clearance Officer, OIRM, AG Box 7630, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Washington, D.C. 20250. When replying, refer to OMB No. 0581-0055 and form number in your letter. Under the PRA of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

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**EXHIBIT A**Origin and Breeding History

7180

7180 was selected for its improved plant health, stay green, gray leaf spot tolerance and general combining ability.

Summer 1993	The inbred line 7773* was crossed to the inbred line 1KNX601** in Queenstown, Maryland.
Winter 1993-94	The F1 was crossed to 7054 in Puerto Vallarta Mexico.
Summer 1994	The F2 seed was grown and self-pollinated in nursery rows 1003 through 1010 in Nursery 94AINC1M.
Winter 1994-1995	An F3 bulk was grown and self pollinated in nursery rows 1001-1014 in Nursery VMSELF01 which was planted in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico
Summer 1995	F4 ears were grown and self pollinated in nursery 95AG3TMA. 7180 was planted in row 14511.
Summer 1996	F5 ears were grown ear-to-row and self-pollinated. 7180 was planted in nursery, 96AIS4, row 23011.
Winter 1996-97	F6 ears were grown ear-to-row in Puerto Rico. 7180 was planted in nursery, 96AIS600, row 13073.
Summer 1997	F7 ears were grown ear-to-row in Ames, IA. 7180 was planted in nursery 97PR1FAM, rows 18192-18191. Ear selection number 2 was advanced.
Winter 1997-1998	F8 ears were grown ear-to-row and self-pollinated in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. 7180 was planted in nursery 97AIS500, rows 9427-9434. F9 ears from this nursery were bulked to generate summer breeder seed.

\*- 7773 is derived from the Mexican population TROBA 69 and Holden's line LHE136

\*\* - 1KNX601 is derived from Pioneer Hybrid 3417

Statement of Stability and Uniformity

Corn inbred 7180 was coded in 1998 with final selection in 1997. This inbred has been reproduced by self pollination for three generations and judged to be stable. Inbred 7180 is uniform for all traits observed.

Statement of Variants

7180 shows no variants other than what would normally be expected due to environment or that would occur for almost any character during the course of repeated sexual reproduction.

**EXHIBIT B**  
**(revised)**Statement of Distinctness

Asgrow Seed Company believes that 7180 is most similar to corn inbred 7051, an inbred developed by Asgrow seed Company.

7180 and 7051 differ most significantly in the following traits:

Trait	7180	7051
Anthocyanin of Brace Roots	Moderate	Absent
Anther Color	Pink (2.5 R 7/6)	Red (2.5 R 5/8)
Ear Position (attitude)	Pendant	Upright
Cob Color	Red (5 R 3/8)	Pink (5 R 6/6)

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OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY  
CORN (*Zea mays* L.)

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Address (Street & No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, Zip Code and Country) 800 N. Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, MO U.S.A.		FOR OFFICIAL USE																															
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* 2 1=Sweet 2=Dent 3=Flint 4=Flour 5=Pop 6=Ornamental 7=Popcorn		2																															
2. REGION WHERE DEVELOPED IN THE U.S.A.:		Standard Seed Source NCRIPS																															
* 2 1=Northwest 2=Northcentral 3=Northeast 4=Southeast 5=Southcentral 6=Southwest 7=Other		2																															
3. MATURITY (In Region Best Adaptability; show Heat Unit formula in "Comments" section):		DAYS HEAT UNITS																															
* 0 8 3 1 6 5 5.0 From emergence to 50% of plants in silk		0 8 0 1 6 0 8.5																															
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4. PLANT:		Standard Deviation Sample Size																															
* 2 2 3.7 cm Plant Height (to tassel tip)	14.4	80	2 0 2.4 7.2 30																														
* 0 6 8.0 cm Ear Height (to base of top ear node)	0.4	80	0 6 4.7 2.3 30																														
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* 1.0 Average Number of Ears per Stalk	0.2	80	0 0 1.0 0.0 30																														
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5. LEAF:			Standard Deviation	Sample Size	Standard Deviation			Sample Size
*	0 0	8. 8 cm Width of Ear Node Leaf	0.3	80	0 0	7. 1	0.1	30
*	0 8	3. 5 cm Length of Ear Node Leaf	10.8	80	0 7	1. 6	1.1	30
*		6. 4 Number of leaves above top ear	0.0	40	5. 4		0.3	15
	2 6. 0	degrees Leaf Angle (measure from 2nd leaf above ear at anthesis to stalk above leaf)	4.5	80	2 4. 3		1.1	30
*	0 2	Leaf Color (Munsell code 5 GY 4/8)			0 3	(Munsell code 5 GY 3/4)		
	4	Leaf Sheath Pubescence (Rate on scale from 1=none to 9=peach fuzz)			5			
	5	Marginal Waves (Rate on scale from 1=none to 9=many)			6			
	3	Longitudinal Creases (Rate on scale from 1=none to 9=many)			5			
6. TASSEL:			Standard Deviation	Sample Size	Standard Deviation			Sample Size
*	3. 6	Number of Primary Lateral Branches	0.7	80	6. 0		1.0	30
1	1. 5	Branch Angle from Central Spike	8.7	80	2 8. 0		0.7	30
*	5 4. 3	cm Tassel Length (from top leaf collar to tassel tip)	5.2	80	4 4. 9		0.1	30
	6. 0	Pollen Shed (Rate on scale from 0=male sterile to 9=heavy shed)			6. 8			
	1 1	Anther Color (Munsell code 2.5 R 7/6)			2 2	(Munsell code 10 Y 8.5/6)		
	0 2	Glume Color (Munsell code 5 GY 4/8)			0 2	(Munsell code 5 GY 4/8)		
	1	Bar Glumes (Glume Bands): 1=Absent 2=Present			1			
7a. EAR (Unhusked Data):								
*	0 1	Silk Color (3 days after emergence) (Munsell code 2.5 GY 8/8)			0 5	(Munsell code 2.5 GY 8/6)		
	0 2	Fresh Husk Color (25 days after 50% silking) (Munsell code 5 GY 4/8)			0 2	(Munsell code 5 GY 4/8)		
	2 1	Dry Husk Color (65 days after 50% Silking) (Munsell code 2.5 Y 8/4)			2 1	(Munsell code 2.5 Y 8/4)		
*	3	Position of Ear at Dry Husk Stage: 1=Upright 2=Horizontal 3=Pendent			3			
	7	Husk Tightness (Rate on scale from 1=very loose to 9=very tight)			6			
	1	Husk Extension (at harvest): 1=Short (ears exposed) 2=Medium (<8 cm) 3=Long (8-10 cm beyond ear tip) 4=Very Long (>10 cm)			3			
7b. EAR (Husked Ear Data):			Standard Deviation	Sample Size	Standard Deviation			Sample Size
*	1 4. 9	cm Ear Length	0.0	40	1 3. 1		0.4	30
*	4 1. 0	mm Ear Diameter at mid-point	0.0	40	4 2. 7		0.8	30
1	1 0. 9	gm Ear Weight	18.7	80	- - - -		- - - -	- -
*	1 4	Number of Kernel Rows	1.7	40	1 6. 4		0.7	30
	2	Kernel Rows: 1=Indistinct 2=Distinct			2			
	1	Row Alignment: 1=Straight 2=Slightly Curved 3=Spiral			2			
	0 7. 4	cm Shank Length	1.7	80	0 8. 1		0.7	30
	2	Ear Taper: 1=Slight 2=Average 3=Extreme			2			
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8. KERNEL (Dried):			Standard Deviation	Sample Size		
1	0.0 mm Kernel Length		0.3	40	1	0.7
0	8.0 mm Kernel Width		0.3	40	0	6.8
0	4.3 mm Kernel Thickness		0.4	40	0	3.6
1	4.5 % Round Kernels (Shape Grade)		3.6	500g	3	8.7
1 Aleurone Color Pattern: 1=Homozygous 2=Segregating					1	
(*)	1	9 Aleurone Color (Munsell code Lighter Than 2.5 Y 9/2)			1	9 (Munsell code Lighter Than 2.5 Y 9/2)
*	0	6 Hard Endosperm Color (Munsell code 2.5 Y 8/8)			0	7 (Munsell code 2.5 Y 8/10)
*	0	3 Endosperm Type: 1=Sweet (sul) 2=Extra Sweet (sh2) 3=Normal Starch 4=High Amylose Starch 5=Waxy Starch 6=High Protein 7=High Lysine 8=Super Sweet (se) 9=High Oil 10=Other			0	3
2	6.4 gm Weight per 100 Kernels (unsized sample)		2.7	500 seeds	-	-
9. COB:			Standard Deviation	Sample Size		
*	2	4.0 mm Cob Diameter at mid-point	0.0	40	2	4.9
	1	4 Cob Color (Munsell code 5 R 3/8)			1	4 (Munsell code 5 R 3/8)
10. DISEASE RESISTANCE (Rate from 1 (most susceptible) to 9 (most resistant); leave blank if not tested; leave Race or Strain Options blank if polygenic):						
A. Leaf Blights, Wilts, and Local Infection Diseases						
7 Anthracnose Leaf Blight ( <i>Colletotrichum graminicola</i> )					7	
4 Common Rust ( <i>Puccinia sorghi</i> )					5	
Common Smut ( <i>Ustilago maydis</i> )						
7 Eyespot ( <i>Kabatella zeae</i> )					7	
7 Goss's Wilt ( <i>Clavibacter michiganense</i> spp. <i>nebraskense</i> )					7	
5 Gray Leaf Spot ( <i>Cercospora zeae-maydis</i> )					2	
4 Helminthosporium Leaf Spot ( <i>Bipolaris zeicola</i> ) Race 2					8	Race 2
5 Northern Leaf Blight ( <i>Exserohilum turcicum</i> ) Race 2					5	Race 2
4 Southern Leaf Blight ( <i>Bipolaris maydis</i> ) Race 0					3	Race 0
Southern Rust ( <i>Puccinia polysora</i> )						
6 Stewart's Wilt ( <i>Erwinia stewartii</i> )					3	
Other (Specify) _____					-	_____
B. Systemic Diseases						
3 Corn Lethal Necrosis (MCMV and MDMV)					3	
6 Head Smut ( <i>Sphacelotheca reiliana</i> )					7	
Maize Chlorotic Dwarf Virus (MCDV)						
Maize Chlorotic Mottle Virus (MCMV)						
Maize Dwarf Mosaic Virus (MDMV) Strain _____						Strain _____
Sorghum Downy Mildew of Corn ( <i>Peronosclerospora sorghi</i> )						
Other (Specify) _____					-	_____
C. Stalk Rots						
Anthracnose Stalk Rot ( <i>Colletotrichum graminicola</i> )					-	
Diplodia Stalk Rot ( <i>Stenocarpella maydis</i> )					-	
Fusarium Stalk Rot ( <i>Fusarium moniliforme</i> )					-	
Gibberella Stalk Rot ( <i>Gibberella zeae</i> )					-	
Other (Specify) _____					-	_____
D. Ear and Kernel Rots						
Aspergillus Ear and Kernel Rot ( <i>Aspergillus flavus</i> )					-	
Diplodia Ear Rot ( <i>Stenocarpella maydis</i> )					-	
Fusarium Ear and Kernel Rot ( <i>Fusarium moniliforme</i> )					-	
Gibberella Ear Rot ( <i>Gibberella zeae</i> )					-	
Other (Specify) _____					-	_____
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Note: Use chart on first page to choose color codes for color traits.



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11. INSECT RESISTANCE (Rate from 1 (most susceptible) to 9 (most resistant); leave blank if not tested):				
	Standard Deviation	Sample Size		
- Banks Grass Mite ( <i>Oligonychus pratensis</i> )			-	
- Corn Earworm ( <i>Helioverpa zea</i> )			-	
- Leaf-Feeding			-	
- Silk Feeding :			-	
- mg larval wt.			-	
- Ear Damage			-	
- Corn Leaf Aphid ( <i>Rhopalosiphum maidis</i> )			-	
- Corn Sap Beetle ( <i>Carpophilus dimidiatus</i> )			-	
- European Corn Borer ( <i>Ostrinia nubilalis</i> )			-	
6 1st Generation (Typically Whorl Leaf Feeding)			3	
5 2nd Generation (Typically Leaf Sheath-Collar Feeding)			5	
- Stalk Tunneling :			-	
- cm tunneled/plant			-	
- Fall Armyworm ( <i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i> )			-	
- Leaf-Feeding			-	
- Silk-Feeding :			-	
- mg larval wt.			-	
- Maize Weevil ( <i>Sitophilus zeamais</i> )			-	
- Northern Rootworm ( <i>Diabrotica barberi</i> )			-	
- Southern Rootworm ( <i>Diabrotica undecimpunctata</i> )			-	
- Southwestern Corn Borer ( <i>Diatraea grandiosella</i> )			-	
- Leaf Feeding			-	
- Stalk Tunneling :			-	
- cm tunneled/plant			-	
- Two-spotted Spider Mite ( <i>Tetranychus urticae</i> )			-	
- Western Rootworm ( <i>Diabrotica virgifera virgifera</i> )			-	
- Other (Specify)			-	
12. AGRONOMIC TRAITS:				
4 Stay Green (at 65 days after anthesis) (Rate on a scale from 1=worst to 9=excellent.)			2	
0 0.0 % Dropped Ears (at 65 days after anthesis)			0 0.0	
0 0.0 % Pre-anthesis Brittle Snapping			0 0.0	
0 0.0 % Pre-anthesis Root Lodging			0 0.0	
0 0.5 % Post-anthesis Root Lodging (at 65 days after anthesis)			0 3.4	
4 3 3 5.9 Kg/ha Yield of Inbred Per Se (at 12-13% grain moisture)			3 6 4 2.6	
13. MOLECULAR MARKERS: (0=data unavailable; 1=data available but not supplied; 2=data supplied)				
1 Isozymes      1 RFLP's      RAPD's				
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COMMENTS (eg. state how heat units were calculated, standard inbred seed source, and/or where data was collected. Continue in Exhibit D):				
Heat Unit Calculation: $GDU = \frac{\text{Daily Max Temp } (<=86^{\circ}\text{F}) + \text{Daily Min Temp } (>=50^{\circ}\text{F})}{2} - 50^{\circ}\text{F}$				

Data were collected on the subject variety, comparative variety and standard variety in 1998-2000. Following is a description of the experimental and environmental conditions by which the trials were conducted along with influences that may have contributed to the variability of the traits:

The corn varieties '7180', '7051' and 'B73' were grown at the Waterman, IL observation nursery in years 1998-2000. The varieties were planted in 2 row plots with 15 plants per row in each of the three years. Trait data were collected on 10 random representative plants for most traits from each 2 row plot. Data on qualitative traits are usually collected on 5 plants from each 2 row plot. For Exhibit C all data were pooled and reported as means across the three years with standard deviation. The varieties are randomly planted in a 4.5 acre observation nursery which is located within a larger 18 acre field. Besides the observation nursery, this field consists of a research seed increase nursery and an IP seed inventory nursery. The location of each of these individual nurseries is rotated each year to a different location within the 18 acre field. Therefore subject inbreds are not planted adjacent to comparative or standard varieties and may be located in different areas of the larger field each year, therefore being influenced by spacial differences within the field. Growing conditions within the field are not uniform as there are some slight topographical variations such as lower areas which may accumulate and retain water or higher areas which are usually drier. The field is tiled and therefore a variety may be planted close to a tile line while a comparative variety may be planted further away and in a low spot within the field. Temporal variations can exist as weather conditions from year to year can vary as well as planting dates can vary from year to year based on weather conditions. Weather conditions each year can vary the maturity rate of the varieties due to either favorable or unfavorable growing conditions.

Trait variability is not observed for each variety within its own test plot-plants are usually uniform and data are collected on the "most" representative plants- variability occurs due to spacial location of the test plot for that variety from year to year and to the temporal variation of weather conditions from year to year during the 2-3 years data are collected.

## Exhibit D

Waterman, IL Research Station  
Monthly Weather Data  
1998-2000

Date	Ave. Precip. (mm)	Ave. Monthly Temp. - Max. (F°)	Ave. Monthly Temp. - Min. (F°)	Ave. Monthly Rel. Humid.- Max (%)	Ave. Monthly Rel. Humid.- Min (%)
June 1998	4.5	81.1	58.5	-	-
July 1998	4.2	84.2	62.2	-	-
August 1998	1.4	82.0	60.7	-	-
Sept. 1998	3.5	75.6	52.5	-	-
June 1999	5.8	78.4	58.7	-	-
July 1999	2.7	80.4	61.6	-	-
August 1999	1.2	80.0	62.3	-	-
Sept. 1999	3.6	73.7	57.3	-	-
June 2000	6.5	76.6	56.5	92.3	50.7
July 2000	3.6	80.2	60.1	93.3	56.9
August 2001	3.8	81.3	60.3	95.0	56.3
Sept. 2001	3.9	75.7	51.4	91.4	45.4

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**EXHIBIT E**  
**STATEMENT OF THE BASIS OF OWNERSHIP**

Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).

1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S)  Asgrow Seed Company LLC		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER	3. VARIETY NAME  7180
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP, and Country)  800 N. Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63167		5. TELEPHONE (include area code)  (815) 758-9281	6. FAX (include area code)  (815) 758-9471
		7. PVPO NUMBER  2001 0 0182	
8. Does the applicant own all rights to the variety? Mark an "X" in appropriate block. If no, please explain. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
9. Is the applicant (individual or company) a U.S. national or U.S. based company? If no, give name of country <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
10. Is the applicant the original owner? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO If no, please answer one of the following: a. If original rights to variety were owned by individual(s), is (are) the original owner(s) a U.S. national(s)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO If no, give name of country b. If original rights to variety were owned by a company(ies), is(are) the original owner(s) a U.S. based company? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO If no, give name of country			
11. Additional explanation on ownership (if needed, use reverse for extra space):			

Corn Variety 7180 was originated and developed by a breeder employed by Asgrow Seed Company LLC. By agreement between Asgrow Seed Company LLC and the breeder, all rights to any invention, discovery, or development are assigned to Asgrow Seed Company LLC. No rights to such invention, discovery, or development are retained by the breeder.

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2. If the rights to the variety are owned by the company which employed the original breeder(s), the company must be U.S. based, owned by nationals of a UPOV member country, or owned by nationals of a country which affords similar protection to nationals of the U.S. for the same genus and species.
3. If the applicant is an owner who is not the original owner, both the original owner and the applicant must meet one of the above criteria.

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